

Appendix C

Fiscal Year 1997 Congressional Testimony and Meetings with Regulators and Oversight Bodies

Congressional Hearings

Senate

Date	Committee/Subcommittee	Witness
January 30, 1997	Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Secretary Peña
February 5, 1997	Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Under Secretary Grumbly

House of Representatives

Date	Committee/Subcommittee	Witness
March 12, 1997	Appropriations, Energy and Water	OCRWM Acting Director Barrett
March 19, 1997	Appropriations, Energy and Water	Secretary Peña
April 29, 1997	House Committee on Energy and Power	OCRWM Acting Director Barrett

Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)

Date	Topic
October 22-23, 1996	87th Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: requirements for Radioactive Waste Land Burial Sites and other topics
October 23, 1996	Management Meeting: program plan and budget; the legislative process; update on activities of OCRWM's Office of Waste Acceptance, Storage, and Transportation; status of 10 CFR Part 960; update on DOE documentation of decisions; Seismic Topical Report III; update on the Licensing Support System; NRC quality assurance concerns
November 12-13, 1996	88th Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: prioritize issues for Committee's consideration
December 16, 1996	Technical Meeting: design, testing, and construction of the Exploratory Studies Facility

January 15, 1997	Management Meeting: NRC High-Level Radioactive Waste Program Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1996
January 28-30, 1997	89th Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: site characterization at the proposed Yucca Mountain repository and other topics
February 5, 1997	Appendix 7 Meeting: Disposal Criticality Analysis Methodology Technical Report
February 6, 1997	Appendix 7 Meeting: Level of Design Detail for License Application
February 25-26, 1997	Technical Exchange: igneous activity in total system performance assessment
February 27, 1997	Appendix 7 Meeting: seismic methodology, revisions to Seismic Topical Report II
March 20-2, 1997	90th Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: Yucca Mountain and other topics
March 31, 1997	Technical Meeting: issues related to the design, testing, and construction of the Exploratory Studies Facility
April 22-24, 1997	91st Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: igneous activity related to the proposed Yucca Mountain repository
April 30, 1997	Management Meeting: repository licensing strategy, NRC's annual report
May 7-8, 1997	Appendix 7 Meeting: Disposal Criticality Analysis Methodology
May 15, 1997	Briefing to the Commissioners by Lake Barrett, OCRWM Acting Director
May 20-22, 1997	92nd Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: decommissioning performance assessment, the defense-in-depth approach for a high-level waste repository, the use of expert elicitation, topical safety analysis report for a central storage facility
June 11, 1997	Quarterly Technical Meeting: issues related to the design, testing, and construction of the Exploratory Studies Facility and the enhanced characterization of the repository block
June 11-12, 1997	Appendix 7 Meeting: open items on site characterization and design currently under review by NRC staff
July 16-17, 1997	Appendix 7 Meeting: DOE's three-dimensional integrated site geologic model and NRC's site geologic framework model
July 21-22, 1997	Technical Exchange: Total System Performance Assessments for Yucca Mountain
July 22-24, 1997	93rd Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: high-level waste performance assessment activities
July 30, 1997	Technical Exchange: DOE's licensing approach for disposal of DOE spent nuclear fuel

September 4, 1997	Management Meeting: NRC review of DOE's dry transfer system Topical Safety Analysis Report (TSAR), centralized interim storage facility TSAR, the burnup credit topical report, issue resolution status reports, waste containment and isolation strategy, DOE decision documentation initiative, DOE/NRC procedural agreement, expectations for the viability assessment
September 10, 1997	Quarterly Technical Meeting: thermal testing; program enhancements, including surface-based testing and the east-west drift
September 23, 1997	Appendix 7 Meeting: thermal testing under way and planned
September 23-25, 1997	94th Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste: the status of DOE's viability assessment

Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board

Date	Organization	Topic
October 9-10, 1999	Full Board	Fiscal Year 1997 planned activities, unsaturated zone flow at Yucca Mountain, concept of repository operations and effects on design
January 28-29, 1997	Full Board	Total system performance assessment, transportation, updates on program and project activities and investigations, reducing hydrologic uncertainties
June 25-26, 1997	Full Board	Performance and uncertainties of the repository design and engineered barrier system, repository performance and uncertainties in the natural system

National Academy of Sciences—National Research Council

Date	Organization	Topic
October 25, 1996	Board on Radioactive Waste Management	Future of U.S. spent fuel and high-level waste disposal
March 24, 1997	Board on Radioactive Waste Management	Yucca Mountain Project performance assessment